## **REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for the

nation of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Note: 37 C.F.R. §1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. §1.53 (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar 20, 2000) 1233 Off. Gazette Pat Office (April 11, 2000) which established RCE practice.

1.	Submission Required Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114						
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	ii.	ii.   Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on					
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	ii.		Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)		Hackmalagy Contar 2000		
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	iv. 🛛 Other Petition for Extension of Time						
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	i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (e)						
	ii.   Extension of Time Fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)						
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